RAO SAHIB DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): A *statement is laid on the table.

Maintenance of Forts.

111. * **MR. A. EASWARA PILLAI** (*Kalkulam II*): Will the Government be pleased to state the cost of maintaining the ports at Colachel, Trivandrum and Allenpey for the last ten years ?

MR. T. C. THOMMEN (*Secretary to Government*): A † statement containing the information is laid on the table.

District Hospital, Neyyattinkara.

112. * **MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Neyyattinkara I*): With reference to the District Hospital, Neyyattinkara, will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the average daily attendance of out-patients in 1109 and 1110 up-to-date (20-9-1110)

(*b*) the average number of in-patients that the Medical Officer had to attend to every day in 1110 up-to-date (20-9-1110);

(*c*) the period for which the Sub-Assistant Surgeon was on leave or on special duty in 1109 and 1110 up-to-date (20-9-1110) respectively;

(*d*) whether the hospital has been deprived of the services of one out of the two compounders and, if so, when and why; and

(*e*) whether the Medical Officer has strongly urged upon the attention of the Darbar Physician the need for additional staff and, if so, what is the action taken thereon ?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*):

(*a*) (i) 1109 ... 161

(ii) 1110 (up to 29-9-1110) 201.

(*b*) 26.

		On leave.	On special duty.
(*c*)	(i) 1109	8	71
	(ii) 1110 (up to 20-9-1110)	13	55

(*d*) Yes; 23-1-1110. He was posted for duty at the Leper Colony, Nooranad, where the need for a compounder was felt more keenly.

(*e*) Yes. The matter is under consideration.

Fever dispensary at Vellarada.

113. * **MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI** (*Neyyattinkara I*): Will the Government be pleased to state what action was taken by Government on the repeated representations by the people for converting the Fever Dispensary at Vellarada in the Neyyattinkara taluk into a regular dispensary or for extending the number of months during which that institution functions during the year, from 5 to 9 months ?

MR. JAMES SIMPSON (*Darbar Physician*): The matter is under the consideration of Government.

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* *Vide* Appendix V—pages 238 and 239.

† *Vide* Appendix VI—page 240.

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Trace from Aralummood to Perumpazhuttoor.

114. ✻MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*) : With reference to the opening of a trace from Aralummood to Perumpazhuttoor in the Neyyattinkara taluk, will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) whether the matter was urged upon the attention of Government by means of interpellations before the last Legislative Council and, if so, when ; and

(*b*) what action was taken by Government ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*) :

(*a*) Yes, in 1930.

(*b*) The trace referred to forms the first section of the proposed road from 10th mile main southern road to 5th mile Amaravila-Ottasekharamangalam Road. The work on the second section has been taken up and is nearing completion. Pending completion of the second section no action has been taken regarding the first section.

Keezhumbhagom Ela.

115. ✻MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*): With reference to the Keezhumbhagom *ela* in Chengal pakuthi in the Neyyattinkara taluk, will the Government be pleased to state :

(*a*) when the proposals were submitted by the P. W D. Section Officer for widening the adjoining todu and construction of a proper sluice ;

(*b*) whether estimates were prepared for the same ; if so, when and what the amount is ; and

(*c*) whether estimates have been sanctioned ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*) :

(*a*) 15-8-1934.

(*b*) Yes. On 18-2-1935. An estimate for Rs. 1,200.

(*c*) The estimate is under the consideration of Government.

Asaroorkulam in Chengal Pakuthi.

116. ✻MR. N. K. KRISHNA PILLAI (*Neyyattinkara I*) : Will the Government be pleased to state with reference to the Asaroorkulam in Chengal Pakuthi, Neyyattinkara, whether they or the P. W. D. have been receiving representations from the ryots concerned urging the immediate improvement of the same ?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*) : No. An interpellation was made by the member in the Assembly on the subject. Government have recently sanctioned an estimate for the improvement of the tank.

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